



**CONNECTICUT STATE POLICE
CENTRAL DISTRICT
MAJOR CRIME SQUAD
TROOP F WESTBROOK**

NEWS RELEASE

CASE #: DPS-03-044937

Risk of Injury to a Minor, (2 counts) 53-21, Disorderly Conduct, 53a-182, Criminal Violation of a Restraining Order, 53a-223b, False Statement in the Second Degree, 53a-157b, Illegal possession of Narcotics (Cocaine), 21a-279a, and Illegal Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, 21a-267

On 09/03/03, the Central District Major Crime Squad was assigned to investigate the facts and circumstances surrounding the death of Linda Dermody (DOB: 08/20/65) of 31 Hickory Lane in the Ivoryton section of Essex, CT. At approximately 12:14 am, Linda Dermody died at the Middlesex Shoreline Clinic in Essex, CT. Linda Dermody died as a result of injuries she sustained from jumping out of a moving motor vehicle on the corner of Hickory Lane and Harmony Lane in Ivoryton, CT, during the early evening hours on 09/02/03. At the time of the incident, Linda Dermody was involved in a domestic dispute with her husband, Charles Dermody (DOB: 07/08/64), and their two children were also present in the vehicle.

The Office of the Chief Medical Examiner in Farmington determined that the cause of Linda Dermody's death was "multiple blunt traumatic injuries" (internal) and the manner of death was certified as "accidental".

During the course of the investigation, investigators seized narcotics and drug paraphernalia from Charles Dermody. Investigators also learned that at the time of the incident, Linda Dermody had an active restraining order issued by the Middletown Civil Court ordering her husband to refrain from any harassing and/or assaulting behavior.

On 02/26/04, the Middletown Superior Court issued an arrest warrant for Charles Dermody for the commission of the crimes of (2 counts) Risk of Injury to a Minor, 53-21, Disorderly Conduct, 53a-182, Criminal Violation of a Restraining Order, 53a-223b, False Statement in the Second Degree, 53a-157b, Illegal Possession of Narcotics, 21a-279a, and Illegal Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, 21a-267.

On 03/03/04, Charles Dermody voluntarily surrendered himself at Troop F, Westbrook where his arrest warrant was executed. Dermody was held on a court ordered \$50,000.00 bond, and was arraigned later in the morning at the Middletown Superior Court.

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